LOUISVILLE METRO COUNCIL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Public Safety Subcommittee

Wednesday, September 26, 2007 4:00 P.M. Third Floor, City Hall

Present: Chairman: CM Downard

Vice Chair: CW Green

Members: CM Kramer, CW Welch, and CW Ward-Pugh

Absent:

Special Items for Discussion: Metro Animal Control Ordinance

Chairman Downard announced the members and non-members of the committee that were present. A guorum was established.

John Snyder, Vice President of Companion Animals gave a Power Point Presentation (Attached). The following was discussed:

- About the Humane Society and the Companion Animals Section
- The Louisville Ordinance
 - Facets seen in other ordinances around the Country
 - Positive, innovative and proactive
 - o Proactive approach is multi-faceted, everything is related
 - Superior to Kentucky cruelty laws
- Dangerous Dogs
 - Causes
 - o Problems
 - o Addressing the issue
- Licensing advantages
- Impact of other proactive legislation
- Reconsider those issues that are causing complaints
- Link between aggression and unaltered dogs
- Breed Specific legislation

Bill Bruce, Director of Animal By-Law Services in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, gave a Power Point Presentation. The following was discussed:

- Engineer, Educate and Enforce
- Principles of responsible pet ownership
- Partnerships
- By-Law enforcement
- Public education
- Licensing
 - Advantages
 - o Revenues
 - o Ease
 - o Ongoing enforcement
 - Campaigns
 - Assigning value to it
- Performance indicators
- Willingness to help other municipalities get program up and running within five years

AGENDA

O-121-05-07 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 91.072 OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT CODE OF ORDINANCES ("CODE") PERTAINING TO THE QUARANTINE OF ANIMALS.

Status: In Committee - Tabled
Committee: Public Safety
Primary Sponsor: Glen Stuckel

Discussion: This item remained **Tabled**.

Motion to Adjourn was made by Vicki Welch.

Without objection the meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

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